



St Ann's Church of England Primary School



Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!

Value of the Half Term

Service

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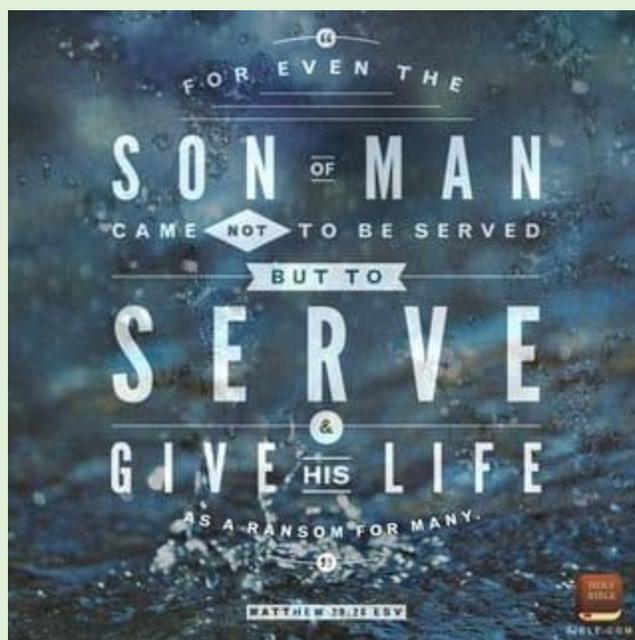
Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be.

My Father will honour the one who serves me.

John 12:26

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Please note, this is the final newsletter of this half term.



WELL DONE Y6

This week our wonderful Y6 children have taken their statutory tests and done us proud! They showed a level of maturity beyond their years and their focus and determination was second to none. It was fabulous to see the children relish this next challenge within their educational journey! The Governors who observed the administration of the tests were extremely impressed by the children's positive attitude. Enjoy your weekend Year 6 – you deserve it. So much to look forward to as you move into your final few weeks at St Ann's!



**KIDS GET THEIR SUPER POWERS BY
ATTENDING SCHOOL
EVERY DAY** ⚡



**BE AN ATTENDANCE
SUPERHERO!**

Whole school attendance year to date <i>Whole School target 96%</i>	96.28%
Whole school attendance week ending 10th May 2024	97.09%
Class with best weekly attendance	1M & 6M – 100%

Attendance Expectations

Children are expected to be in school **every day** unless they are unwell. All other reasons will be unauthorised. If your child is going to be absent, contact school and let us know before 9.20am. Children not in school may receive a phone call home or home visit. In line with our Attendance Policy, we are committed to supporting families in improving their child's attendance, before taking legal action.

#EveryMomentMatters



Number of pupils with 100% attendance this week

383

Punctuality

School starts at **8.50am**.
Lessons start at **8.50am**.

School gates open at 8.40am.

Children arriving after 8.50am will need to use the main entrance. Children who enter school via the main entrance will be registered as late. Regularly missing the beginning of lessons has a negative impact on a child's progress and wellbeing.

A SPOTLIGHT ON: SCIENCE



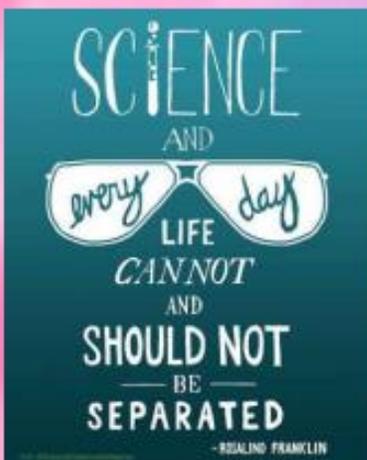
Shining a Spotlight on Science

At St Ann's, we reflect the National Curriculum's belief that high-quality science education provides the foundations for understanding the world through the specific disciplines of biology, chemistry and physics and our curriculum is planned to reflect this. It is our aim that all pupils develop an enjoyment and interest in Science, learning how it contributes to all aspects of everyday life; how it has changed our lives and how it is vital to the world's future prosperity. All pupils are taught essential aspects of the knowledge, methods, processes and uses of science.



Children build a body of substantive knowledge and develop ideas of key concepts through a carefully planned and sequential curriculum. Pupils are encouraged to develop a sense of excitement and curiosity about natural phenomena in the world. They are encouraged to understand how science can be used to explain what is occurring, predict how things will behave, and analyse causes, by developing their skills of scientific enquiry.

Our overall aim is to equip our children with the scientific knowledge required to understand the uses and implications of science, today and in the future so that they themselves seek out science in their everyday lives.



What are we learning about in Science during Summer 2?	
EYFS	Life cycles
YEAR 1	Seasonal changes
YEAR 2	Materials
YEAR 3	Light
YEAR 4	States of Matter
YEAR 5	Living Things and their Habitats
YEAR 6	Evolution and Inheritance

SPORTS DAYS

Please find detailed below the dates and time for this year's Sports Days (weather permitting). If sports days need to be cancelled due to inclement weather, we will send out a message as soon as possible.

YEAR GROUP	DATE	TIME	RESERVE DAY
EYs	Monday 20 May	1.30-3.00pm	Thursday 6 June PM
Y1	Tuesday 21 May	9.15-10.15am	Thursday 6 June AM
Y2	Tuesday 21 May	10.30-11.30am	Thursday 6 June AM
Y3	Wednesday 22 May	9.15-10.15am	Wednesday 5 June AM
Y4	Wednesday 22 May	10.30-11.30am	Wednesday 5 June AM
Y5	Wednesday 22 May	1.00-2.00pm	Tuesday 11 June AM
Y6	Wednesday 22 May	2.00-3.00pm	Tuesday 11 June AM

ARRANGEMENTS

- Children should wear their PE kit to school on the day of their Sports Day.
- Parents will enter school via the pedestrian walk way at the side of school (next to blue Base door). The gate will be open for a 10 minute period and then will be locked. The gate will only re-open at the end of each sports day session.

HEALTH & SAFETY REMINDERS

- Parents/ carers must remain behind the barrier rope at all times.
- Parents/ carers must not go over to their child or call their child over.
- Photographs/ videos are not permitted as some children cannot have their photo taken or uploaded onto social media.
- Parents/ carers not supporting our arrangements will be asked to leave the premises.
- Children should come to school wearing sun cream.
- Children should bring a sunhat and full bottle of water to school.

MARK BARROW FUN RUN

Weather permitting, we will be hosting this year's Mark Barrow run in school on **Monday 20 May**. During the event, all children will take part in a run on the school field in memory of Mark Barrow, Mrs Barrow's late husband, who had a great passion for running and athletics. This event has inspired a number of our pupils past and present to take up running as a hobby.

All children should wear their PE kit and trainers to school on Monday 20 May. It is advisable that you put sun cream on your child before they come to school and also send in a sun hat for them to wear.

This is a non-spectator event.

Y6 TALK FROM KOOTH

On Wednesday 22 May, Y6 children will participate in a talk from the organisation Kooth, which is all about looking about your mental health and wellbeing.



JOB VACANCY AT ST ANN'S

Attendance Officer & Therapeutic Teaching Assistant

The Three Saints Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its pupils and expects all those working within the trust to share this commitment. All offers of employment are subject to an Enhanced DBS check, and where applicable, a prohibition from teaching check will be completed for all applicants.

Visits to the school are encouraged and warmly welcomed. Please telephone to arrange an appointment (0151 426 5869).

Application Process:

The application pack is available on <http://www.three-saints.org.uk/index.php/vacancies/>. CVs will not be accepted.

Closing Date & Short-listing:

9am Monday 3 June 2024

Interviews: Friday 7 June 2024

We are seeking to appoint a highly motivated, enthusiastic and talented person to join our outstanding primary school, and who shares our vision for providing a first-class education and instilling all our children with a love of learning.

We are looking for someone who:

- Likes working with children
- Is passionate and enthusiastic for learning
- Can establish good working relationships with children, staff and parents
- Can take direction and work on own initiative
- Can work as part of a team
- Promote positive behaviour
- Is hard working and conscientious
- Is an excellent communicator
- Is organised and efficient
- Is friendly and flexible
- Is professional and positive
- Understands confidentiality



St Ann's is an over-subscribed, two form entry Church of England primary school, with a strong track record of achievement and an outstanding judgement from Ofsted and excellent from SIAMs. We nurture and care for our children in a Christian ethos, placing our children and their family at the centre of our work. Our children are encouraged to be independent, creative and reflective learners who can self-manage, work within a team and effectively participate and communicate.

What we can offer you:

We can offer you:

- fantastic children with a positive attitude towards learning and excellent behaviour;
- the support of a dedicated, committed and creative staff team;
- the opportunity to be part of an outstanding school;
- a school already established in developing practitioners and nurturing its staff because of its unrivalled opportunities for professional development through the Northwest Learning Partnership and NW3 Maths Hub which are within our MAT;
- an engaging, bespoke curriculum;
- supportive School Committee, Directors and parents

ROAD SAFETY WORKSHOPS



Week commencing 20 May children across the school will take part in Road Safety workshops as we head into the summer months, and transition to secondary school for our Y6 pupils.

YEAR 6 FIRST AID WORKSHOP

On Tuesday 21 May Y6 will take part in a First Aid Workshop to learn some very important life skills.



OPEN WATER SAFETY TALKS

As part of our commitment to safeguarding, w/c 20 May the Community Safety Team from St Helens Council will deliver an Open Water Safety workshop to our KS2 pupils. This supports the education the children also receive when they have swimming lessons.

EYS SAFARI PARK VISIT



The children in EYFS are getting very excited about our upcoming trip to Knowsley Safari Park. Next week we will be reading the story 'The Ugly Five' by Julia Donaldson and learning about animals from all over the world. On our trip we are looking forward to taking part in a rainforest story and watching the sea lion show. If you would be able to help support our trip to the Safari Park, please let speak to Mrs Preston. Our trip will take place on Tuesday 21st May and all payments can be made via Arbor.

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORT BANK



This half term's Children's University Passport Bank will take place in the final week of this half term. If your child has a Children's University Passport, please send this into school with them on Monday 20 May so that their hours can be banked. This applies to year groups up to Y6.

CHRISTIAN VALUE

Before the end of term each class will take part in a lesson all about next half term's Christian value focus: Peace.



THANK YOU TO RAINHILL ROTARY



Huge thanks to Rainhill Rotary who have made a donation toward school fund through their Community Support Fund. We greatly appreciate the donations they regularly make to our school

PARENT FORUM

We have Parent Forum Rep vacancies in **5B** and are keen to fill it.

If you are interested in being a Parent Rep, please contact school on stannsce@three-saints.org.uk

School closes on
Wednesday 22 May.

School re-opens on
Monday 3 June.

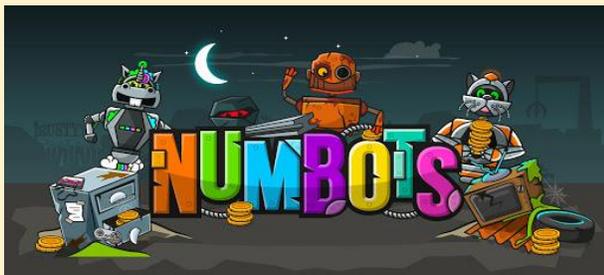
NUMBOTS & TIMESTABLE ROCKSTARS

Daily use of Numbots and TTRockstars has been proved to boost number and times table recall speed significantly, impacting positively on children's Mathematical Development. Just as the expectation at St Ann's is to read for 5 out of every 7 days each week, the expectation to access either Numbots (EYs-Y2) or TTRockstars (Y2-Y6) is the same

The table below shows the number of children who have accessed the programmes in the last 7 days. You can show that your child has accessed either of the programmes by simply ticking the logo off in their home school diary. Let's do this!

1M	1T	2H	2O	3E	3H	4C	4S	5B	5D	6A	6M
4	2	8	1	4	5	15	22	4	6	4	2

Most Improved



Year 1: Conall V & Emily R

Year 2: Olivia L & Samskrithi S



Year 3: Alice K & Sophia B

Year 4: Olly B & Lucy B

Year 5: Isla W & Logan T

Year 6: Faye C & Myla R

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Charlie W in EYR for taking part in a charity walk at Knowsley Safari Park. Charlie raised an amazing £300 for Alder Hey. Well done Charlie!



TIMETABLE COMPETITION

We are thrilled to announce our Y4 Times Tables Challenge!

We firmly believe that practising times tables regularly is crucial for children's mathematical development, and will support them in the upcoming Multiplication Check (after half term). Daily times table practice helps to build fluency, accuracy, and confidence in solving mathematical problems.

To encourage and motivate our students, once again we have decided to hold our Y4 Timetables Competition!

Starting from **Monday 20 May**, if your child commits to practising their times tables on Times Table Rockstars every day for the duration of four weeks, up to and including **Thursday 13 June**, they will be eligible to enter a draw for a chance to win a cinema voucher!

This reward not only acknowledges their hard work but also provides an opportunity for a family outing. We hope the incentive serves to motivate and reward, as well as making the learning process all the more enjoyable! Obviously though, the true reward lies in the improved mathematical skills they will gain through consistent practice!

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to reach out to us. We look forward to observing the progress and success of all our pupils 😊



A Month in Sport at St Ann's (April - May)

An exciting start to our Summer Term with lots of exciting news to share including St Helens School Games events, Intra-School competitions during lunchtimes and PE lessons as well as the a special day out for Year 2 at the Liverpool FC Academy.

St Helens RLFC @ Portico Vine
ARLFC

(Friday 26th April 2024)



Year 1 3v3 Football
(Thursday 9th May 2024)

Year 2 Liverpool Football Club
Academy

(Tuesday 7th May 2024)



HERE COMES THE BRIDE: GOOD LUCK MISS HULL

We are delighted to share with you that over the Whit holidays Miss Hull is getting married! When we return to school Miss Hull will be known as Mrs Mulligan, although 2H will remain 2H as we are so close to the end of the school year.

We know everyone wishes Miss Hull and her future husband all the very best for their special day and long, happy and healthy life together.



Good luck and lots of love from #TeamStAnn's Miss Hull!



SAFEGUARDING TOP TIP #27

Child exploitation

Every year, thousands of children in the UK are exploited. Some have been groomed into county lines drug trafficking, others face sexual abuse in their own communities. No matter the form of child exploitation, the language we use to talk about young people can often decide if they are kept safe or put more at risk.

Across the country, young people are being manipulated, sexually abused, forced to launder money and deal drugs. Exploitation isn't obvious. But it happens everywhere. And you can stop it.

If something doesn't feel right, don't wait, report it

- Call the police on 101 or 999 in an emergency

You can also [report to the police online](#). Only report your concerns when it is safe for you to do so, even if this is after the event that your concerns initially arose. Do not attempt to intervene yourself.

- Text the British Transport Police on 61016
- Call Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111
- Call the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000



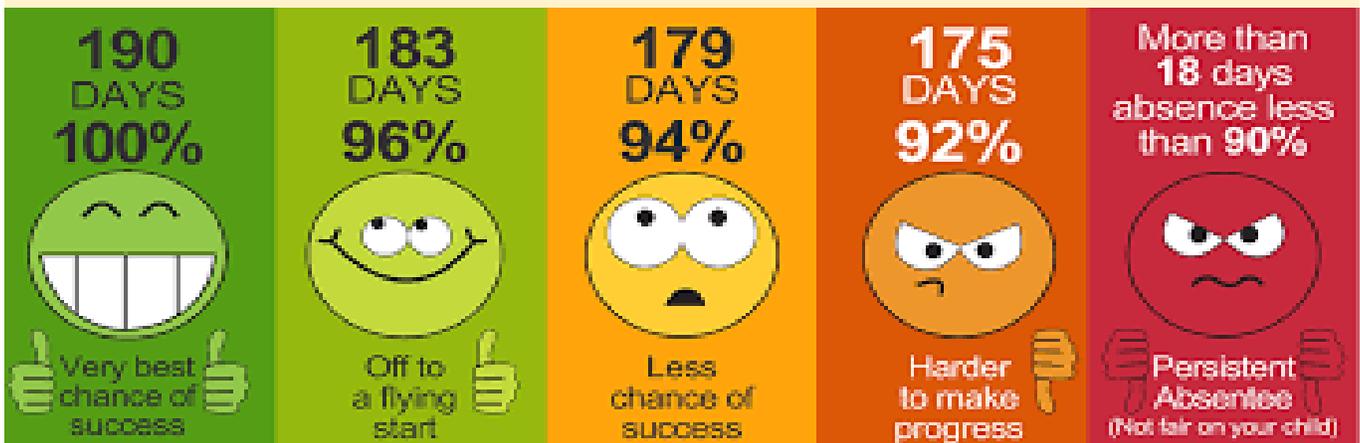
ATTENDANCE REWARD RAFFLE

At St Ann's we are relentless in our focus on attendance because we want the best for our pupils. The research speaks for itself, children with strong levels of attendance, fulfil their full potential and develop the skills and personal qualities required for a happy and fulfilled life.

Prize £50 Amazon Voucher

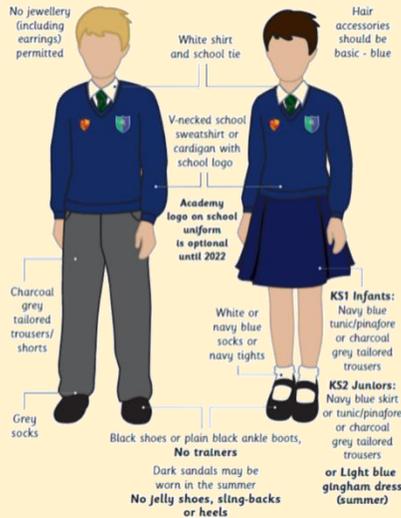
All children with **96%+ attendance**, and who have not taken a holiday during term time, by **Friday 19 July** will be entered into the next Attendance Raffle.

GOOD LUCK 😊



GENERAL INFORMATION/ REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS



**Please note, it is no longer compulsory to wear items of clothing with the school and Trust logos on. Children may wear plain navy-blue items of school uniform.*

SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



TOAST

If you would like your child to have Toast at breaktime for Summer 2 (3rd June – 23rd July) please ensure that your Arbor Toast account has a balance of at least £9.25 by 15th May. If your account is not in credit by at least this amount by this date we will issue a reminder by In-App message. If payment is still not received by the date stated in the reminder we will be unable to provide your child with toast for the ensuing half term. The current balance on your Toast account can be viewed by accessing your Arbor account.

EARLY YEARS SNACK

Foundation stage children receive Snack on a daily basis. We would be most grateful if you would make payment on Arbor of the following amounts by the due dates:

Summer 1 - £8.40 as soon as possible if not already done so

Summer 2 - £11.10 by 15th May 2024

TERM DATES

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn Term 2023	5th September 2023	26th October 2023
	6th November 2023	22nd December 2023
Spring Term 2024	9th January 2024	9th February 2024
	19th February 2024	28th March 2024
Summer Term 2024	15th April 2024	22nd May 2024
	3rd June 2024	23rd July 2024

PURCHASING SCHOOL ITEMS

If you wish to purchase a school item this can now be done through Arbor. If you make a purchase please email the school office at stannsce@three-saints.org.uk so that arrangements can be made to issue the item. Current prices are as follows:

School Bag £10.00

Junior Tie £4.00

Elasticated Tie £3.50

Children's University Passport £5.00

Replacement Home School Diary £5.00

Courtesy

Care

Concentration



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Headteacher: Mrs Laura Rynn

‘But those who trust in the Lord, they will find new strength.

They will soar high on wings like eagles’ **Isaiah 40:31**

Parents' Suggestion/Comment Slip

TOAST

YEARS 1-6

If you would like your child to have Toast every half term please see below for the amount due each half term and the date the amount is required by. Payments should be made to your Arbor Toast account. Payments can be made in advance of these dates if you wish and the credit will be used once the due date arrives.

	Amount Due	Date Toast Account to be in credit by
Autumn 1	£9.50	13th July 2023
Autumn 2	£8.75	18th October 2023
Spring 1	£6.00	19th December 2023
Spring 2	£7.25	31st January 2024
Summer 1	£7.00	20th March 2024
Summer 2	£9.25	15th May 2024

Total for year £47.75

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice

Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines

5 consecutive days of term time leave Penalty Notice

Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days. Inset training days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave. 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days. Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days

Second Offence (within 3 years)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.